IN THE CLAIMS:

The following is a complete listing of claims in this application.

Claims 1-94 (canceled).

95. (currently amended) A protection system for a computerized device comprising an operating system, and at least one peripheral device selected from the group consisting of at least one storage device, and at least one communication device, the protection system comprising:

a monitoring and capturing sub-system configured to monitor activities relating to said at least one storage device and said at least one communication device, and to detect and to act against suspicious or dangerous activity;

an encrypted database in operative connection with said operating system, and storing default security rules including default rules, pre distribution rules, additionally-acquired user-defined rules, and statistics of acceptable program behavior continuously learned during system operation,

said monitoring and capturing sub-system being constructed and arranged to receive data from said encrypted database, and to block activities of said computerized device in violation of said default rules; and

a user interface operatively connected to said operating system, and including means for performing at least one function selected from the group consisting of learning acceptable behavior patterns to be added to said database, warning the user of perceived dangers based on said database and requesting user authorization to perform an action; [[.]]

wherein ~~accesses~~ access to the encrypted database is tracked by the monitoring and capturing sub-system; and

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wherein violation of the default security rules by unwarranted intrusion results in blocking of the activities of said computerized system and protection of the user against the unwarranted intrusion.

96. (previously presented) The system of claim 95, wherein the encrypted database further stores a log of security questions presented to the user and replies thereto.

97. (previously presented) The system of claim 95, wherein the encrypted database further stores a log of detected suspicious activities.

Claims 98-101 (canceled)